

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (H. Con. Res. 139) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME—S. 964

Mr. BOND. Mr. President, I understand S. 964, introduced earlier today by Senators KENNEDY, AKAKA, and others, is at the desk. I ask for its first reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 964) to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage.

Mr. BOND. I now ask for its second reading and object to my own request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard. The bill will be read for the second time on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR SATURDAY, MAY 26, 2001

Mr. BOND. Mr. President, I now ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until the hour of 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 26. I further ask unanimous consent that on Saturday, immediately following the prayer, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate then begin a period of morning business with Senators speaking for up to 10 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. BOND. For the information of all Senators, the Senate will be in a period of morning business until the tax reconciliation conference report is received from the House of Representatives. It is anticipated the Senate will be able to begin consideration of the tax reconciliation conference report shortly after convening.

As a reminder, there are up to 10 hours for debate on the conference report. Therefore, a vote is expected to occur late morning or tomorrow afternoon.

ORDER FOR ADJOURNMENT

Mr. BOND. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I now ask unanimous consent, following the remarks of Senator TORRICELLI, the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. BOND. I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. HUTCHINSON). In my capacity as a Senator from the State of Arkansas, I ask unanimous consent the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

Without objection, it is so ordered.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate stands in adjournment until 10 a.m. tomorrow morning.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 4:05 p.m., adjourned until Saturday, May 26, 2001, at 10 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate May 25, 2001:

THE JUDICIARY

CHARLES W. PICKERING, SR., OF MISSISSIPPI, TO BE UNITED STATES CIRCUIT JUDGE FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT, VICE HENRY A. POLITZ, RETIRED.

TIMOTHY M. TYMKOVICH, OF COLORADO, TO BE UNITED STATES CIRCUIT JUDGE FOR THE TENTH CIRCUIT, VICE JOHN C. PORFILIO, RETIRED.

CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate May 25, 2001:

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

BRUCE MARSHALL CARNES, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY.

DAVID GARMAN, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF ENERGY (ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND RENEWABLE ENERGY).

FRANCIS S. BLAKE, OF CONNECTICUT, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF ENERGY.

ROBERT GORDON CARD, OF COLORADO, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY OF ENERGY.

PATRICK HENRY WOOD III, OF TEXAS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION OR THE TERM EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2005.

NORA MEAD BROWNELL, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION FOR A TERM EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2006.

NORA MEAD BROWNELL, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2001.

THE ABOVE NOMINATIONS WERE APPROVED SUBJECT TO THE NOMINEES' COMMITMENT TO RESPOND TO REQUESTS TO APPEAR AND TESTIFY BEFORE ANY DULY CONSTITUTED COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

MARIA CINO, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF COMMERCE AND DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES AND FOREIGN COMMERCIAL SERVICE.

BRUCE P. MEHLMAN, OF MARYLAND, TO BE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF COMMERCE FOR TECHNOLOGY POLICY.

KATHLEEN B. COOPER, OF TEXAS, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY OF COMMERCE FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS.

THE ABOVE NOMINATIONS WERE APPROVED SUBJECT TO THE NOMINEES' COMMITMENT TO RESPOND TO REQUESTS TO APPEAR AND TESTIFY BEFORE ANY DULY CONSTITUTED COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

SEAN B. O'HOLLAREN, OF OREGON, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION.

DONNA R. MCLEAN, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION.

THE ABOVE NOMINATIONS WERE APPROVED SUBJECT TO THE NOMINEES' COMMITMENT TO RESPOND TO REQUESTS TO APPEAR AND TESTIFY BEFORE ANY DULY CONSTITUTED COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

MICHAEL K. POWELL, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS FROM JULY 1, 2002.

KATHLEEN Q. ABERNATHY, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS FROM JULY 1, 1999.

KEVIN J. MARTIN, OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS FROM JULY 1, 2001.

MICHAEL JOSEPH COPPS, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS FROM JULY 1, 2000.

THE ABOVE NOMINATIONS WERE APPROVED SUBJECT TO THE NOMINEES' COMMITMENT TO RESPOND TO REQUESTS TO APPEAR AND TESTIFY BEFORE ANY DULY CONSTITUTED COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE.

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

TIMOTHY J. MURIS, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSIONER FOR THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF SEVEN YEARS FROM SEPTEMBER 26, 1994.

THE ABOVE NOMINATION WAS APPROVED SUBJECT TO THE NOMINEE'S COMMITMENT TO RESPOND TO REQUESTS TO APPEAR AND TESTIFY BEFORE ANY DULY CONSTITUTED COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

STEPHEN BRAUER, OF MISSOURI, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO BELGIUM.

A. ELIZABETH JONES, OF MARYLAND, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF CAREER MINISTER, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE (EUROPEAN AFFAIRS).

WALTER H. KANSTEINER, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE (AFRICAN AFFAIRS).

LORNE W. CRANER, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR DEMOCRACY, HUMAN RIGHTS, AND LABOR.

WILLIAM J. BURNS, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE (NEAR EASTERN AFFAIRS).

RUTH A. DAVIS, OF GEORGIA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF CAREER MINISTER, TO BE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE.

CARL W. FORD, JR., OF ARKANSAS, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE (INTELLIGENCE AND RESEARCH).

CHRISTINA B. ROCCA, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR SOUTH ASIAN AFFAIRS.

PAUL VINCENT KELLY, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE (LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS).

DONALD BURNHAM EISENART, OF LOUISIANA, TO BE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL AND TO HAVE THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR DURING HIS TENURE OF SERVICE.

THE ABOVE NOMINATIONS WERE APPROVED SUBJECT TO THE NOMINEES' COMMITMENT TO RESPOND TO REQUESTS TO APPEAR AND TESTIFY BEFORE ANY DULY CONSTITUTED COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE.

OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION

PETER S. WATSON, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE PRESIDENT OF THE OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION.

THE ABOVE NOMINATION WAS APPROVED SUBJECT TO THE NOMINEE'S COMMITMENT TO RESPOND TO REQUESTS TO APPEAR AND TESTIFY BEFORE ANY DULY CONSTITUTED COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

PIYUSH JINDAL, OF LOUISIANA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

THOMAS SCULLY, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION.

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

TIMOTHY J. MURIS, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSIONER FOR THE TERM OF SEVEN YEARS FROM SEPTEMBER 26, 2001.

THE ABOVE NOMINATION WAS APPROVED SUBJECT TO THE NOMINEE'S COMMITMENT TO RESPOND TO REQUESTS TO APPEAR AND TESTIFY BEFORE ANY DULY CONSTITUTED COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

DONALD CAMERON FINDLAY, OF ILLINOIS, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF LABOR.

IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be vice admiral

VICE ADM. EDMUND P. GIAMBASTIANI, JR., 0000

FOREIGN SERVICE

FOREIGN SERVICE NOMINATIONS BEGINNING LARON L. JENSEN, AND ENDING KAREN L. ZENS, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON APRIL 23, 2001.

FOREIGN SERVICE NOMINATIONS BEGINNING RALPH K. BEAN, AND ENDING RICHARD OLIVER LANKFORD, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON APRIL 23, 2001.